



Satellite image with enhanced low cloud-top temperatures (degrees C) for 7:15 a.m. EDT (NOAA)

### **Agricultural Weather Highlights - Monday - November 10, 2003**

- ***In the West***, beneficial snow showers dot the ***northern Rockies*** and the ***Intermountain region***, while rain showers are overspreading the ***Pacific Northwest***. Above-normal temperatures are confined to the ***Desert Southwest***; cool weather prevails elsewhere, slowing the development of ***Northwestern*** winter grains.
- ***On the Plains***, warm, dry weather across ***central and southern portions of the region*** continues to favor fieldwork, although much of the winter wheat crop has little moisture for autumn establishment. Meanwhile on the ***northern High Plains***, a shallow to moderate snow cover is providing the poorly established wheat crop with highly beneficial moisture and insulation.
- ***In the Corn Belt***, mild, dry weather is promoting a return to corn and final soybean harvesting, following last week's heavy precipitation.
- ***In the South***, warm, dry weather favors autumn fieldwork, including soybean and cotton harvesting.

**Outlook:** For the remainder of the week, a high-pressure system will maintain mostly dry weather in the ***Mid-Atlantic and Southeastern States***, while scattered showers will accompany a weak cold front moving through the ***Midwest and Northeast***. Farther west, a stalled frontal boundary may spark scattered showers in portions of the ***central and southern Plains***, while a second, stronger cold front will bring below-normal temperatures and snow to ***northern portions of the Rockies, Plains, and Great Lakes States***. In the ***West***, dry weather will return to the ***Great Basin***, while periods of rain and high-elevation snow will affect the ***Southwest and Pacific Northwest***. The NWS 6-10 day outlook for November 15-19 calls for above-normal precipitation in the ***Pacific Northwest*** and parts of the ***Southeast***, while drier-than-normal conditions are expected across most of the remainder of the U.S. Above-normal temperatures are forecast in many locations from the ***Plains westward***, while cooler-than-normal weather should be limited to parts of the ***Mid-Atlantic and Southeastern States***.

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